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ROK REQUEST

SEOUL DOMESTIC SERVICE IN KOREAN 1201 GMT 12 FEB 68 B

(EXCERPTS) A WELL-INFORMED SOURCE SAID THAT IT HAS BEEN LEARNED THAT THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA GOVERNMENT HAS MADE A REQUEST TO THE U.S. SIDE ASKING THAT THE ROK-U.S. DEFENSE TREATY BE REVISED SO THE UNITED STATES CAN GIVE IMMEDIATE AID TO THE ROK. WITHOUT GOING THROUGH U.S. CONSTITUTIONAL PROCEDURES. NOT ONLY IN THE EVENT OF ALL-OUT AGGRESSION BY THE NORTH KOREAN PUPPETS BUT ALSO IN THE EVENT OF INDIRECT AGGRESSION BY THE ARMED COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS.

MEANWHILE, A MEETING BETWEEN SPECIAL ENVOY VANCE AND PREMIER CHONG-IL-KWON AND OTHER MINISTERS CONCERNED IS SCHEDULED TO OPEN AT 1000 HOURS TOMORROW AT THE PREMIER'S OFFICE.

ACCORDING TO PUBLIC INFORMATION MINISTER HONG CHONG-CHOL, SPECIAL ENVOY VANCE TOLD THE PREMIER THAT THE PURPOSE OF HIS VISIT IS TO SEEK MEASURES TO SETTLE FOR GOOD THE RECENT INCIDENTS.

PREMIER CHONG IL-KWON AT 1900 HOURS ARRANGED A DINNER PARTY AT THE STATE GUEST HOUSE IN HONOR OF SPECIAL ENVOY VANCE. ALSO PRESENT AT THE PARTY WERE THE VICE PREMIER, THE MINISTERS OF DEFENSE, FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC INFORMATION, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, PAE TOK-CHIN, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, AND OTHER PERSONNEL OF THE DIPLOMATIC AND DEFENSE FIELDS FROM THE ROK SIDE; AND U.S. AMBASSADOR PORTER, WALSH, U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT SECRETARY IN CHARGE OF ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS, AND NINE OTHER PERSONS FROM THE U.S. SIDE.

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